

Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Council of the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo held in the Council Chamber at the Municipal Offices in Fort McMurray, Alberta, on Wednesday, November 30, 2016, commencing at 5:00 p.m.

Present: M. Blake, Mayor
T. Ault, Councillor
L. Bussieres, Councillor
S. Germain, Councillor
K. McGrath, Councillor
J. Stroud, Councillor
C. Tatum, Councillor
A. Vinni, Councillor

Absent: J. Cardinal, Councillor
P. Meagher, Councillor
C. Voyageur, Councillor

Administration: M. Ulliac, Chief Administrative Officer
K. Scoble, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer
D. Bendfeld, Executive Director
R. Billard, Acting Executive Director
B. Couture, Executive Director
E. Hutton, Executive Director
J. Brown, Supervisor Legislative Services
J. Wall, Legislative Coordinator

Reconvene

Mayor M. Blake reconvened the meeting at 5:02 p.m., noting that the proceedings are a continuation of the November 28 and 29 meetings, and that Council was still convened as Committee of the Whole.

20. Communications and Stakeholder Relations
(5:03 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.)

Brenda Erskine, Acting Director, Communications and Stakeholder Relations, accompanied by Monica Ball, Financial Analyst, gave an overview of the proposed 2017 Operating Budget for the department.

Exit and Return

Councillor K. McGrath exited the Council Chamber at 5:15 p.m. and returned at 5:17 p.m.

21. Infrastructure and Engineering Division
(5:31 p.m. – 5:32 p.m.)

Robert Billard, Acting Director, Infrastructure and Engineering Division, gave an overview of the proposed 2017 Operating Budget for the Infrastructure and Engineering Division.

22. Engineering
(5:33 p.m. – 5:49 p.m.)

Dawny George, Director, Engineering, accompanied by William Brook, Acting Manager, Building Infrastructure Management, and Donna Perera, Financial Analyst, gave an overview of the proposed 2017 Operating Budget for the department.

It was requested that the following information be provided:

- Details as to the full costs of resources and FTE's associated with all of the projects, study's and reviews being proposed for each of the departments.

23. Public Works
(5:50 p.m. – 6:06 p.m.)

Nina Caines, Manager, Public Works and Parks, accompanied by Terra Brenneis, Acting Manager, Roads, and Katalin Verraszto, Financial Analyst, gave an overview of the proposed 2017 Operating Budget for the department.

24. Environmental Services
(6:07 p.m. - 6:26 p.m.)

Leslie Burke, Acting Director, Environmental Services accompanied by Travis Kendel, Manager, Water Treatment, and Jhnel Weller-Hannaway, Financial Analyst, gave an overview of the proposed 2017 Operating Budget for the department.

25. Sustainable Operations
(6:27 p.m. – 6:39 p.m.)

Leslie Burke, Director, Sustainable Operations, gave an overview of the proposed 2017 Operating Budget for the department.

It was requested that the following information be provided:

- Statistics/information regarding the education program for students and the success of its delivery.
- Clarification and further information was requested as to the salary and benefits costing for the Sustainable Operations Department personnel.

Recess

A recess occurred from between 6:39 p.m. and 6:58 p.m.

Exit

Councillor T. Ault exited the meeting at 6:39 p.m.

26. Transit Services
(6:59 p.m. – 7:19 p.m.)

Tony O'Doherty, Acting Director, Transit Services, accompanied by Earl Romkey, Manager, Technology, Technical Planning & Scheduling, and Kashif Ghafoor, Financial Analyst, gave an overview of the proposed 2017 Operating Budget for the department.

Exit and Return

Councillor K. McGrath exited the Council Chamber at 7:01 p.m. and returned at 7:12 p.m.

27. Wood Buffalo Recovery Committee and Task Force

(7:20 p.m. – 7:36 p.m.)

Dana Woodworth, Recovery Team Leader, accompanied by Mark Power, Manager, Project Services for the Recovery Task Force, gave an overview of the proposed 2017 Operating Budget for the department.

It was requested that the following information be provided:

- Details on the positions and costs of staff who have been seconded from other departments to the Recovery Task Force

Recess

The Mayor then declared the meeting recessed at 7:37 p.m., noting that it would reconvene at 8:30 a.m. on Friday, December 2, 2016 in the Jubilee Centre Council Chamber.